

# ASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## Clerk's Report

- Item 4. Receive **declarations of interests** and request for dispensation from Councillors. If you have an interest in any of the agenda items please notify the clerk in advance of the meeting.
5. **Agree minutes** of Parish Council meeting held on 22 March 2021
- 13 decision notice relating to Section 106 discharge application - DC/20/05299 Agricultural Building At, Land North Of Moors Farm, Assington, CO10 5NE - refused REASON FOR REFUSAL  
This application seeks to discharge the section 106 planning obligation created by a deed dated 11 December 1996. The obligation requires the removal of the cattle shelter and barn permitted under planning application reference B/96/00224 when the building is no longer required or ceases to be used in connection with the grazing of animals or the keeping of livestock on the property. The application submission states that the obligation is unreasonable as it relates to livestock and animals only and does not allow for any other agricultural uses; that there is no reason why the building should be removed in planning terms and that it would be perverse to remove the building only for a new barn to be built as 'Permitted Development.'  
The building is located within the locally designated Special Landscape Area in the countryside, close to a local nature reserve and SSSI and is adjacent to nearby listed buildings. The purpose of the obligation is to ensure that the building is retained and used for an approved agricultural purpose only (as originally applied for) and that should the approved use cease, the building is removed in order to safeguard the environmental sensitivities of the location

Action	Who	Completed
Letter to Ann Trevelyan supporting local MPs in extending the consultation period re the Bramford/Twinstead National Grid pylons as insufficient information provided	CH	y
Response to Mike Volk directing comments re Bramford/Twinsted Tee to MP and also suggested the completion of document	CH	Y
Planning application DC/21/01294 Bramwell House response OK	CH	Y
Planning application DC/21/01923 Old School House extension to bedrooms no comment	CH	Y
Notify that donations will be deferred to the next meeting	CH	Y
Respond to Steve Betts re Bus stop	CH	y
Respond Kevin White that the PC expects planning to be adhered to	CH	Y
Explore the cost of signage for Public Footpaths	CH	Awaiting response

## Donations

PC normally contribute to the following

Assington Association	- last year	£350
Church donation	-	£350
Sudbury CA	-	£100
Headway	-	£75

Additional requests from

Suffolk Accident Rescue Service - [admin@sars999.org.uk](mailto:admin@sars999.org.uk)

Sudbury Newstalk

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- Babergh consultation on walking and cycling routes, distributed and added to the website blog
- Babergh tree and hedgerow planting scheme extended - they are literally giving away free plants if we want any to plant hedgerows.
- Quiet lanes Wave 2 notifications of meeting on 17 May - forwarded.
- David Gotts 1st footpath cut and also quote for this year which he had previously sent in December last year - cut FP x 6 = £360 + PF x3 + £135 + allotments x3 + £135 = total £630+VAT
- SALC youth survey - how is the parish council supporting young people
- enquiry re hire of football pitch and changing room - forwarded to Louisa
- Amy Spurdens and James Finch Presumptively dedicated footpath - DMMO re Rowley Grove footpath, CO6 4LY, Nayland/Leavenheath, Babergh correspondence a landowner had put up signs at Rowley Grove preventing public use. Requests to Babergh that this be registered as a historic right of way. further correspondence to say that the land is currently for sale through Savills.

MSDC letter/email re Spring litter pick forwarded to Bronwen for inclusion in the Assington News.

Suffolk on Board Busses, route 375 returns to normal weekly timetable (not provided) as of 14 April 21

CCLR Finch COVID news 29/4/21

CCLlr Finch death of Selwyn Pryor funeral 16 April, info forwarded to Parish Councillors

Cclr Finch re changes to test stations as preferring home COVID testing Mar 29

SALC physical meetings can re establish after 17 May. - 29/3/21

Simon Amstutz Dedham Vale Its back for 2021: The Dedham Vale AONB and Stour Valley Forum

The Dedham Vale AONB and Stour Valley Forum 2021, *reflections on the past and opportunities for the future*. will take place via Zoom on Thursday 17 June from 9:20am to midday.

Topics covered will include nature recovery, archaeology, young people on conservation and the environment and a series of optional topic based presentations.

The programme includes plenty of breaks, opportunities to ask questions and engage in discussion.

All the details you need (including link to booking process) at: <https://www.dedhamvalestourvalley.org/2021/03/25/dedham-vale-aonb-and-stour-valley-forum-2021/> s

Bramford to Twinsted Tee various correspondence including

Letter from Mike Volk asking for help

Updates from James Finch re articles in the EADT and also personal response

Objection sent to National Grid as composed by Tony Howden and agreed by Councillors

email/letter from Planning Inspectorate (11/5). We are now considered a consultation body. with 3 reports to comment upon by 8 June forwarded to councillors 12/5/21

## Finance

Bills to be paid

SALC invoice 24309 for annual subscription to SALC/NALC £193.29

SALC invoice 24798 training for end of year accounting £30

repay £1,355 unused portion of grant to Groundwork UK

Babergh District Council invoice 1000126093 £5 peppercorn rent for Lease of conservation area Meadow Way, Assington

Babergh District Council invoice 1000127188 £402.24 for Litter and dog bin emptying

## Income and expenditure since meeting on 22/3/21

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### Income

6/4/21	Precept SCDC	5000
6/4/21	CIL	12685.60
16/4/21	Babergh/Mid Suffolk Parish Grant Payment instalment 1 of 2 for grass cutting	167.00

### Expenditure

Date	To	Chq No	Amount	VAT
23/01/21	WAVE	895	74.69	
08/03/21	Bank Interest 7 Dec - 7 Mar			
15/03/21	MThurston - Salary	902	71.31	
15/03/21	HMRC - NI Contributions	907	85.20	
2/03/21	Andrew Hill - Expenses	908	108.99	
14/3/21	Places4People Ltd - NP Support	905	399.00	79.80
11/3/21	Wave	906	56.35	
8/3/21	SALC	904	15.00	3.00
30/1/21	David Bracey	901	80.00	16.00
29/3/21	Amy Benton Wages Dec-Jan	909	210.52	
29/3/21	Geosphere Parish online	910	50.00	10.00
16/4/21	Melanie Thurston Salary		66.35	

### Bank Reconciliation 30 April 2021

Community Account           £100  
Barclays Business Premium   £86,378.29

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<b>ASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL</b>				
<b>Bank Reconciliation for Financial year ending 31st March 2021</b>				
<b>Balances per Bank Statements as at 31st March</b>				
Barclays Community			£100.00	
Barclays Premium Account			£69,474.70	
				£69,574.70
Add any Unbanked Cash as at 31 March				£0.00
<b>Less Unpresented Cheques as at 31 March</b>				
		897	£16.35	y
		904	£18.00	Y
		905	£478.80	Y
		906	£56.35	Y
		907	£85.20	Y
		908	£108.99	Y
		909	£210.52	Y
		910	£60.00	Y
				£1,034.21
			<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>£68,540.49</b>
<b>CASH BOOK</b>				
Opening Balance				£38,996.28
Add Receipts in the year				£44,482.19
				£83,478.47
Less Payments in the year				£14,937.98
			<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>£68,540.49</b>